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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0457

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM PBOR PFOR PINS SREF LA TH

SUBJECT: LPDR CONTINUES PRATICE OF FIRING ON FLEEING REFUGEES

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1. LAO AUTHORITIES ARE CONTINUING THEIR PRACTICE OF FIRING ON REFUGEES FLEEING ACROSS THE MEKONG TO THAILAND DESPITE REPORT PARA 4 REFTEL THAT PEOPLE HAD BEEN TOLD THERE WOULD BE NO MORE SUCH SHOOTING. ON MARCH 3 AND 6, WESTERN RESIDENTS AND DIPLOMATS HEARD FIRING NEAR BRITISH APARTMENTS AND AUSTRALIAN CLUB ON BANK OF MEKONG IN VIENTIANE.

2. A BRITISH TEACHER REPORTED THAT MORNING OF MARCH 3 SHE WATCHED TWO PERSONS SWIMMING TOWARD THE THAI SHORE COMING UNDER FIRE FROM TWO LOCATIONS ON LAO BANK. SHE SAID THAT FIRING CONTINUED UNTIL THE SWIMMERS REACHED MID-STREAM. SHE SAID THAT SHE SAW ONE OF THE SWIMMERS EMERGE FROM THE WATER ON THE THAI SHORE.

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3. A WESTERN BUSINESSMAN SAID THAT DURING THE EARLY EVENING OF MARCH 6 HE AND OTHER WESTERN RESIDENTS AND DIPLOMATS AT AUSTRALIAN CLUB HEARD AND SAW SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM THE LAO BANK. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, A SMALL GROUP OF LAO WERE SEEN WALING ALONG THE ROAD NEAR THE RIVER UNDER UNIFORMED GUARD WITH THEIR HANDS TIED.

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